

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA ADOPTING ENVIRONMENTAL FINDINGS PURSUANT TO THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT AND APPROVING A GENERAL PLAN MAP AMENDMENT (MST2018-00070) TO REMOVE LAND USE DESIGNATIONS ON THE ADOPTED GENERAL PLAN MAP IN THE COASTAL ZONE AND RETITLE THE MODIFIED MAP AS "GENERAL PLAN MAP FOR INLAND AREAS"

WHEREAS, in 1981, the California Coastal Commission (CCC) originally certified and has subsequently certified amendments to the Coastal Land Use Plan (LUP) of the City's Local Coastal Program (LCP) including Land Use Plan Maps ("Land Use Plan" dated August 1980 and "Land Use Plan Waterfront" dated December 1980) that depict the certified land use designations in the City's Coastal Zone outside of the Airport and Goleta Slough areas;

WHEREAS, in 1982, the CCC originally certified and has subsequently certified amendments to the Coastal Plan for the Airport and Goleta Slough including the Local Coastal Plan for the Airport and Goleta Slough Land Use Map that depicts the certified land use designations for lands located in the Airport and Goleta Slough Areas and within the Coastal Zone;

WHEREAS, Government Code Section 65300 requires that the City of Santa Barbara adopt a comprehensive, long-term General Plan for the physical development of the City, and the General Plan Map is a key component of the Land Use Element of the General Plan;

WHEREAS, on September 30, 2010, the Planning Commission certified the Final Program Environmental Impact Report for the Plan Santa Barbara General Plan Update and associated revised General Plan Map;

WHEREAS, on December 1, 2011, the City Council considered the certified Final Program Environmental Impact Report and an Addendum to the Certified Final Environmental Impact Report for the Plan Santa Barbara General Plan Update, and approved the 2011 General Plan including the revised General Plan Map;

WHEREAS, the 2011 General Plan and General Plan Map were not submitted to the California Coastal Commission (CCC) for certification and, therefore, are not effective in the Coastal Zone;

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2014, the City Council held a duly noticed public hearing and adopted Resolution No. 14-012 to initiate a Local Coastal Program (LCP)

Update process to conclude with submittal of a LCP Amendment Application to the California Coastal Commission for certification;

WHEREAS, Planning Division staff recommends removing reference to land use designations on the General Plan Map in areas located within the Coastal Zone;

WHEREAS, the certified Local Coastal Plan for the Airport and Goleta Slough Land Use Map depicts land use designations for lands located in the Airport and Goleta Slough Areas and within the Coastal Zone and will serve as the General Plan land use designations for those lands;

WHEREAS, the proposed LCP Land Use Map will depict land use designations for lands located outside of the Airport and Goleta Slough Areas and within the Coastal Zone and will serve as the General Plan land use designations for those lands;

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2018, the Planning Commission held a duly noticed public hearing to consider a recommendation to the City Council on: 1) A General Plan Map Amendment; and 2) A LCP Amendment (MST2018-00070) comprised of an update to the Coastal Land Use Plan (LUP) and General Plan Land Use Map for the Coastal Zone, and voted 6/1 to adopt Resolution No. 006-18 and forward the LCP Amendment to the City Council with a recommendation for approval;

WHEREAS, the City Council hearing originally scheduled for April 24, 2018 was postponed due to certain mailed notification procedures not being adequately met for both the scheduled City Council hearing and the previous March 1, 2018 Planning Commission hearing;

WHEREAS, due to the need to return to Planning Commission to comply with mailed noticing requirements prior to that hearing, Planning Division staff took the opportunity to update the proposed General Plan Map Amendment and LCP Amendment and incorporate changes in response to Planning Commission direction, public comment received, and further consultation with CCC staff;

WHEREAS, the City's Environmental Analyst conducted environmental review and made a determination under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) that the General Plan Map Amendment to remove reference to land use designations on the General Plan Map in areas located within the Coastal Zone and rename the map "General Plan Map for Inland Areas" is simply illustrative in nature and is exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), as it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment; and

WHEREAS, all public noticing required pursuant to the Santa Barbara Municipal Code, California Code of Regulations §13515, and California Government Code §65353 was completed for a June 21, 2018 Planning Commission hearing to consider a recommendation to the City Council on a General Plan Map Amendment and LCP Amendment (MST2018-00070);

WHEREAS, on June 21, 2018, the Planning Commission held a duly noticed public hearing to consider a recommendation to the City Council on a General Plan Map Amendment (MST2018-00070) to remove land use designations on the adopted General Plan Map in the Coastal Zone and retitle the modified map as “General Plan Map for Inland Areas,” and voted 5/1 to forward the General Plan Map Amendment to the City Council with a recommendation for approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA THAT:

**Section 1.** The Council of the City of Santa Barbara makes the following findings in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA):

- A. CEQA Findings for General Plan Map Amendment: State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) Applies to this Action.

The General Plan Map Amendment is illustrative in nature and is exempt from CEQA as it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment.

**Section 2.** The Council of the City of Santa Barbara hereby approves a General Plan Map Amendment (MST2018-00070) to remove reference to land use designations on the adopted General Plan Map in the areas located within the Coastal Zone (boundary as shown on the Post Local Coastal Program (LCP) Certification Permit and Appeal Jurisdiction Map approved by the California Coastal Commission on September 14, 2017) and title the modified map as “General Plan Map for Inland Areas.” Land use designations for lands within the Coastal Zone, excluding the Airport and Goleta Slough areas, will be shown on the certified LCP Land Use Map. Land use designations for lands located in the Airport and Goleta Slough areas that are within the Coastal Zone will be shown on the certified Local Coastal Plan for the Airport and Goleta Slough Land Use Map.

**Section 3.** The Council of the City of Santa Barbara hereby authorizes the Community Development Director to revise all applicable General Plan Map figures and references to reflect the changes of this General Plan Map Amendment upon the effective date of the amendment.

**Section 4.** This Resolution shall become effective upon the effective date of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara approval of the General Plan Map Amendment.

Exhibit: General Plan Map for Inland Areas

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A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA ADOPTING ENVIRONMENTAL FINDINGS PURSUANT TO THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT AND APPROVING A LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM (LCP) AMENDMENT (MST2018-00070) TO: 1) REPEAL THE EXISTING LCP LAND USE PLAN IN ITS ENTIRETY AND APPROVE A NEW LCP LAND USE PLAN AND 2) REPEAL THE EXISTING LCP LAND USE PLAN MAPS AND APPROVE A NEW LCP LAND USE MAP, WHICH INCLUDES VARIOUS LAND USE DESIGNATION CHANGES

WHEREAS, in 1981, the California Coastal Commission (CCC) originally certified and subsequently certified amendments to the Coastal Land Use Plan (LUP) of the City's Local Coastal Program (LCP) including Land Use Plan Maps ("Land Use Plan" dated August 1980 and "Land Use Plan Waterfront" dated December 1980);

WHEREAS, Section 30514 of the California Coastal Act (Coastal Act) provides that all amendments to a certified LCP shall be submitted to, and processed by the CCC, in accordance with Sections 30512 and 30513 of the Coastal Act;

WHEREAS, on September 30, 2010 the Planning Commission certified the a Final Program Environmental Impact Report for the 2011 General Plan and associated revised General Plan Map;

WHEREAS, on December 1, 2011 the City Council considered the certified Final Program Environmental Impact Report and an Addendum to the Final Program Environmental Impact Report and approved the 2011 General Plan including the revised General Plan Map. Implementation of the 2011 General Plan and revised General Plan Map in the Coastal Zone requires a LCP Amendment and certification by the CCC;

WHEREAS, following adoptions of the 2011 General Plan and revised General Plan Map in 2011, the City Council adopted additional significant plans and policies including further revisions to the General Plan Map in 2013, the 2012 Climate Action Plan, the 2012 Historic Resources Element, the 2013 Safety Element, the 2015 Housing Element, and the 2017 New Zoning Ordinance (Santa Barbara Municipal Code Title 30), and to implement these policies and ordinances in the Coastal Zone requires a LCP Amendment and certification by the CCC;

WHEREAS, on January 8, 2014, the City received a \$123,000 grant from Round 1 of the CCC LCP Local Assistance Grant Program to update the City's LCP consistent with the Coastal Act;

WHEREAS, with acceptance of the CCC grant, the City committed to update the LCP in part by: 1) comprehensively updating the City's Coastal LUP and Land Use Plan Map to include appropriate recently adopted City plans and ordinances, such as the 2011 General Plan Update, as well as include climate change adaptation actions; 2) updating a targeted portion of the Implementation Plan (IP); and 3) encouraging citizen participation throughout the planning process;

WHEREAS, other major objectives of updating the Coastal LUP include modernizing and making the Coastal LUP a stand-alone document, and to provide more detailed guidance for certain emerging and controversial issue areas, including sea level rise;

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2014, City Council held a duly noticed public hearing and adopted Resolution No. 14-012 to initiate a Local Coastal Program (LCP) Update process to conclude with submittal of a LCP Amendment Application to the CCC for certification;

WHEREAS on April 10, 2014, the Planning Commission held a duly noticed public hearing to receive an overview of the LCP Update Work Program;

WHEREAS, in November 2014, a LCP Update Subcommittee was formed and comprised of three members each of the City Planning Commission, Parks & Recreation Commission, and Harbor Commission. The LCP Update Subcommittee periodically met with staff from 2014 – 2017 at duly noticed public meetings to review the Draft Coastal LUP approach, content, and format, and other LCP work products;

WHEREAS, since 2014, Planning Division staff continually consulted with other City staff including those from Parks & Recreation Department, Waterfront Department, Public Works Department, City Administrator's Office, and City Attorney's Office to ensure Draft Coastal LUP policies were supportable throughout the City organization;

WHEREAS, since 2014, the City worked diligently and collaboratively with CCC staff to produce multiple drafts of the Coastal LUP, including a complete submittal of the Preliminary Draft Coastal LUP to the CCC staff in March 2016;

WHEREAS, in April 2016, CCC staff submitted extensive written comments on the Preliminary Draft Coastal LUP, resulting in a delay of the planned public release and outreach effort for the Draft Coastal LUP;

WHEREAS, on June 7, 2016, City Council authorized staff to submit an application for grant funds from Round 3 of the CCC LCP Local Assistance Grant Program;

WHEREAS, on August 12, 2016, the City received a \$285,892 grant from Round 3 of the CCC LCP Local Assistance Grant Program to allow the City to continue and complete the LCP Update, including a complete overhaul of the Coastal LUP, a public outreach program, a Sea Level Rise Adaptation Plan, and policy development for Lower-Cost Visitor-Serving Accommodation;

WHEREAS, on September 27, 2016, City Council held a duly noticed public hearing to receive a status report on the LCP Update, accept the grant funds from the CCC Round 3 Local Coastal Program Local Assistance Grant Program, and direct staff to continue working on the LCP Update;

WHEREAS, on July 7, 2017, Planning Division staff submitted to CCC staff a revised Preliminary Draft Coastal LUP;

WHEREAS, in October 2017, the Public Outreach Program was initiated for the Draft Coastal LUP in preparation of a public Open House including: a mailed postcard notice to approximately 379 owners of properties potentially affected by new shoreline hazard, creek, and/or other policies proposed in the Draft Coastal LUP; a "City News in Brief" announcement; City Land Development Team e-bulletin announcement; a LCP Update webpage; email notifications to interested parties; posted Open House posters in the Coastal Zone; newspaper display ads; and media release;

WHEREAS, on November 11, 2017, the Public Review Draft Coastal LUP was released for a 60-day public review period, concurrent with a public Open House attended by approximately 50 people;

WHEREAS, in November 2017, the Parks & Recreation Commission, Harbor Commission, and Creeks Advisory Committee each held duly noticed public hearings to receive informational presentations on the Draft Coastal LUP;

WHEREAS, from November 2017 to January 2018, Planning Division staff presented the Draft Coastal LUP at seven stakeholder meetings including local environmental groups, permit planners, architects, and Santa Barbara City College staff;

WHEREAS, on January 10, 2018, mailed notice of availability of the Draft Coastal LUP and March 1, 2018, Planning Commission hearing was sent to approximately 30 federal and state agencies as follow-up to an email notice provided to the local/regional office of the agency in November 2017;

WHEREAS, by January 11, 2018, six written comment letters were received on the Public Review Draft Coastal LUP for consideration in the Planning Commission Review Draft Coastal LUP;

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2018, the Planning Commission held a duly noticed public hearing to consider a recommendation to the City Council on: 1) A General Plan Map Amendment; and 2) A LCP Amendment (MST2018-00070) comprised of an update to the Coastal Land Use Plan (LUP) and General Plan Land Use Map for the Coastal Zone, and voted 6/1 to adopt Resolution No. 006-18 and forward the LCP Amendment to the City Council with a recommendation for approval;

WHEREAS, following the Planning Commission's motion to approve Planning Commission Resolution No. 006-18, additional edits were made to the Draft Coastal LUP based on further consultation with CCC staff and in response to City staff and public comments;

WHEREAS, the City Council hearing originally scheduled for April 24, 2018 was postponed due to certain mailed notification procedures not being adequately met for both the scheduled City Council hearing and the previous March 1, 2018 Planning Commission hearing;

WHEREAS, due to the need to return to Planning Commission to comply with mailed noticing requirements prior to that hearing, Planning Division staff took the opportunity to update the proposed General Plan Map Amendment and LCP Amendment and incorporate changes in response to Planning Commission direction, public comment received, and further consultation with CCC staff;

WHEREAS, the City's Environmental Analyst conducted environmental review and made a determination under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) that statutory exemption (PRC Section 21080.9 and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15265) applies to City Council action to approve the LCP Amendment and forward the LCP Amendment to the CCC for certification;

WHEREAS, all public noticing required pursuant to the Santa Barbara Municipal Code, California Code of Regulations §13515, and California Government Code §65353 was completed for a June 21, 2018 Planning Commission hearing to consider a recommendation to the City Council on a General Plan Map Amendment and LCP Amendment (MST2018-00070); and

WHEREAS, on June 21, 2018, the Planning Commission held a duly noticed public hearing to consider a recommendation to the City Council on a LCP Amendment (MST2018-00070), that shall not take effect until it has been certified by the California Coastal Commission, to repeal the existing LCP Land Use Plan (entitled "Local Coastal



Plan”; originally certified by the CCC in 1981 and subsequently amended by the City of Santa Barbara City Council and CCC) in its entirety and approve a new LCP Land Use Plan entitled “Coastal Land Use Plan”; and 2) Repeal the existing LCP Land Use Plan Map and approve a new LCP Land Use Map, which includes various land use designation changes, and voted 5/1 to forward the LCP Amendment to the City Council with a recommendation of approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA THAT:

**Section 1.** The Council of the City of Santa Barbara makes the following findings in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA):

- A. CEQA Findings for LCP Amendment: PRC Section 21080.9 and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15265 Apply to this Action.

Local governments are exempt from CEQA environmental review in connection with preparation and adoption of an LCP Amendment.

**Section 2.** The Council of the City of Santa Barbara hereby approves LCP Amendment (MST2018-00070) that shall not take effect until it has been certified by the CCC to:

- A. Repeal the existing LCP Land Use Plan (entitled “Local Coastal Plan”; originally certified by the CCC in 1981 and subsequently amended by the City of Santa Barbara City Council and CCC) in its entirety and approve a new LCP Land Use Plan entitled “Coastal Land Use Plan”; and
- B. Repeal the existing LCP Land Use Plan Maps (entitled “Land Use Plan” dated August 1980 and “Land Use Plan Waterfront” dated December 1980; originally certified by the CCC in 1981 and subsequently amended by the City of Santa Barbara City Council and CCC) and approve a new LCP Land Use Map entitled “Local Coastal Program Land Use Map,” which includes various land use designation changes. Land use designations on the LCP Land Use Map will serve as the General Plan land use designations in the Coastal Zone for the purposes of reviewing non-Coastal Development Permit applications.

**Section 3.** The City’s certified LCP, including this amendment shall be implemented in a manner fully in conformity with the Coastal Act of 1976.

**Section 4.** The Council of the City of Santa Barbara directs the Community Development Director to prepare the LCP Amendment Application for submission to the CCC for review and certification.

**Section 5.** The LCP Amendment shall take effect automatically upon CCC certification, unless the Coastal Commission proposes suggested modifications to the proposed LCP Amendment. In the event that the CCC certifies the LCP Amendment with suggested modifications, City Council approval of the modified LCP Amendment shall require a

separate action by the City Council following CCC certification. In this case, the LCP Amendment would become effective on the date the CCC concurs at public hearing that the City Council properly accepted the modified LCP Amendment with suggested modifications.

Exhibits:     A: Coastal LUP (under separate cover)  
              B: LCP Land Use Map